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Aggregate Demands made through the Clearing House upon the Bankers who use the Clearing House on each day in the Year 1839, together with the Amount of Bank Notes employed in the Clearing House on the same day, omitting all Fractions under £100.

[From Appendix to Second Report, Banks of Issue, (1841).—No. 320a.]

No. of Week.		Date.	Aggregate Demands.	Bank Notes.	Bank Notes Per Cent.	No. of Week.		Date.	Aggregate Demands.	Bank Notes.	Bank Notes Per Cent.		
Bank Disc't 4½ perct. Jan.			£	£					£	£			
1	IB	1	2,551,100	201,600	7.90	9	IB	1	3,588,300	188,900	5.26		
		2	1,694,200	184,300	10.90			2	4,653,000	199,600	4.29		
		3	1,797,700	140,600	7.81			3	...	...	...
		4	3,637,900	254,200	6.99			4	4,291,300	317,100	7.39		
		5	3,373,000	161,400	4.79			5	3,224,200	210,200	6.53		
2		6	...	...	...	10		6	2,344,000	294,400	12.58
		7	2,661,700	177,800	6.69			7	2,343,200	196,400	8.39		
		8	3,388,100	289,800	8.55			8	2,746,400	200,400	7.29		
		9	3,238,200	593,300	18.31			9	3,451,500	239,000	6.93		
		10	2,692,200	373,300	13.87			10	...	...	...
3	FS ES	11	2,717,300	172,600	6.35	11		11	2,512,900	207,500	8.27		
		12	4,372,700	223,800	5.12			12	2,691,700	235,200	8.74		
		13	...	...	...			13	2,410,000	256,300	10.64
		14	2,857,200	313,800	10.97			14	3,666,900	273,900	7.46		
		15	4,351,100	250,900	5.77			15	2,566,800	231,700	9.01		
4		16	4,336,300	288,700	6.65	12		16	3,422,200	282,800	8.27		
		17	3,039,100	180,800	5.95			17	...	...	...
		18	3,129,200	227,100	7.25			18	2,510,000	181,100	7.22		
		19	3,808,000	232,800	6.11			19	2,361,300	206,400	8.75		
		20	...	...	...			20	2,332,900	204,900	8.80
5	FS	21	2,942,300	305,400	10.39	13		21	2,568,800	296,700	11.55		
		22	3,293,800	207,700	6.31			22	2,916,800	175,400	6.01		
		23	2,627,200	188,200	7.16			23	3,366,000	195,000	5.79		
		24	2,166,000	223,300	10.29			24	...	...	...
		25	2,814,000	192,800	6.86			25	2,683,100	244,500	9.12		
6	FS	26	3,551,600	244,000	6.88	14	IB	26	2,779,000	176,700	6.36		
		27	...	...	...			27	2,495,800	137,900	5.52
		28	2,527,100	200,500	7.93			28	4,447,000	243,700	5.48		
		29	3,150,500	214,800	6.82			29	...	...	...
		30	2,374,500	128,100	5.41			30	3,506,100	225,800	6.43		
7	FS	31	3,670,400	176,200	4.82	15		31	...	...	...
			82,762,400	6,348,500					75,879,200	5,621,500			
		Feb.			April								
		1	2,814,100	250,200	8.19			14	IB	1	2,822,800	172,500	6.12
		2	3,888,000	243,400	6.26					2	2,722,800	191,300	7.04
3	...	...	...	3	2,650,600	303,600	11.45				
4	5,107,900	331,700	6.50	4	3,693,500	197,400	5.35						
5	3,475,200	249,400	7.19	5	2,710,800	247,400	9.13						
8	IB	6	2,658,400	109,100	4.10	16		6	4,591,000	189,800	4.13		
		7	2,528,800	174,100	6.88			7	...	...	...
		8	2,989,300	158,500	5.31			8	3,249,100	256,600	7.89		
		9	3,632,400	223,500	6.17			9	3,434,400	213,200	6.22		
		10	...	...	...			10	2,930,200	240,100	8.20
9	FS	11	3,133,900	207,800	6.64	17		11	3,842,000	321,000	8.36		
		12	3,101,300	259,000	8.36			12	3,635,400	230,500	6.33		
		13	2,598,300	232,300	8.94			13	3,930,400	189,900	4.83		
		14	4,018,800	181,200	4.50			14	...	...	...
		15	2,944,900	227,900	7.75			15	4,734,500	285,300	6.03		
10		16	3,432,600	162,500	4.74	18	FS	16	2,800,400	249,600	8.92		
		17	...	...	...			17	2,850,600	237,400	8.33
		18	2,708,200	192,200	7.09			18	3,648,900	263,200	7.21		
		19	3,197,100	192,700	6.02			19	3,317,200	167,600	4.75		
		20	2,608,200	133,700	5.12			20	3,631,900	197,700	5.45		
11	ES	21	2,047,300	177,000	8.64	19		21	...	...	...
		22	2,499,400	118,100	4.72			22	2,880,300	302,600	10.51		
		23	3,910,600	226,100	5.78			23	3,067,200	172,000	5.59		
		24	...	...	...			24	2,212,000	227,200	10.28
		25	2,535,800	282,200	11.11			25	2,536,400	171,300	6.75		
12	FS	26	4,027,700	263,700	6.30	20		26	3,401,600	277,600	8.17		
		27	2,728,800	188,100	6.89			27	3,498,700	243,800	6.88		
		28	3,587,700	205,800	5.73			28	...	...	...
			76,164,700	4,960,200				18	29	2,730,100	134,000	4.92	
										30	4,316,400	166,400	3.85
			85,839,200	5,836,000									

Aggregate Demands made through the Clearing House upon the Bankers who use the Clearing House on each day in the Year 1839, &c.—Continued.

No. of the Week.		Date.	Aggregate Demands.	Bank Notes.	Bank Notes Per Cent.	No. of the Week.		Date.	Aggregate Demands.	Bank Notes.	Bank Notes Per Cent.
18		May	£	£		27		July	£	£	
		1	1,591,200	158,200	9.95			1	2,367,300	193,400	8.16
		2	3,031,800	213,500	7.04			2	2,940,100	250,100	8.50
	IB	3	3,150,500	213,600	6.78			3	2,338,800	205,500	8.80
		4	5,025,800	272,200	5.41		IB	4	3,108,300	218,100	7.03
		5	...	...	...			5	2,669,300	255,000	9.55
19		6	2,669,800	250,700	9.39			6	3,554,700	132,900	3.45
		7	3,555,500	249,400	7.03			7	...	...	...
		8	2,805,800	166,200	5.92			8	2,593,700	202,200	7.81
		9	2,082,200	108,000	5.19	28		9	3,585,600	373,000	10.39
		10	3,347,400	181,400	5.42			10	2,787,300	210,600	7.55
		11	3,617,300	189,400	5.23			11	3,713,100	341,200	9.20
		12	...	...	...			12	3,345,300	252,400	7.53
20		13	2,204,600	201,300	9.15			13	3,974,300	263,700	7.15
		14	3,073,200	232,300	7.57			14	...	...	...
	FS	15	3,018,000	262,900	8.71		FS	15	4,160,300	287,100	6.70
		16	3,830,000	134,700	3.82			16	2,921,600	296,000	10.14
		17	2,760,000	224,800	8.15		ES	17	4,099,200	317,500	7.75
		18	3,718,600	218,000	5.86			18	3,041,700	195,700	6.44
		19	...	...	...			19	2,956,500	234,700	7.93
21		20	2,306,000	186,600	8.08			20	3,170,100	181,400	5.72
		21	3,023,300	242,500	8.03			21	...	...	...
		22	2,605,300	210,300	8.06			22	2,624,100	160,000	6.13
		23	2,903,300	186,100	8.46			23	3,312,200	226,100	6.83
		24	2,792,900	206,300	7.40			24	2,416,900	190,000	7.85
		25	3,241,700	262,500	8.11			25	2,464,600	258,200	10.50
		26	...	...	...			26	2,659,700	207,200	7.79
22		27	2,145,900	176,900	8.23			27	3,450,300	172,100	4.99
	ES	28	3,999,400	308,200	7.70			28	...	...	...
		29	2,881,900	176,200	6.12			29	2,593,700	195,900	7.57
	Bank Disc. } 5 per cent.	30	2,088,700	149,700	7.16			30	3,200,300	266,400	8.33
	FS	31	4,117,200	233,200	5.66		FS	31	3,521,200	227,500	6.46
			80,587,600	5,615,000					83,865,200	6,284,800	
22		June						Aug.			
		1	3,523,300	171,000	4.86		Bank Disc. } 6 per cent.	1	2,675,500	176,100	6.58
		2	...	...	...			2	2,939,500	227,300	7.73
23		3	2,327,300	223,800	9.60			3	4,554,500	291,000	6.41
	IB	4	4,518,300	345,500	7.65		IB	4	...	...	...
		5	2,471,100	134,100	5.42			5	3,214,100	186,500	5.82
		6	1,760,200	151,800	8.63			6	3,300,100	187,700	5.69
		7	2,596,500	201,900	7.77			7	2,799,400	260,100	9.29
		8	3,612,600	232,000	6.43			8	2,246,100	152,100	6.76
		9	...	...	...			9	3,140,800	143,200	4.56
24		10	2,638,100	220,800	8.36			10	3,856,400	235,400	6.10
		11	2,847,200	313,000	10.98			11	...	...	...
		12	2,921,700	148,100	6.67			12	2,965,200	156,200	5.27
		13	1,972,300	241,200	12.25			13	3,560,400	275,700	7.75
	FS	14	3,406,700	256,200	7.51			14	2,733,100	218,100	7.99
		15	3,180,200	185,700	5.84			15	3,644,000	284,800	7.82
		16	...	...	...		FS	16	2,887,400	331,000	8.00
25		17	2,376,600	196,500	8.26			17	3,663,100	256,000	7.00
		18	2,714,400	206,700	7.63			18	...	...	...
		19	2,398,100	197,100	8.21			19	2,531,100	173,000	6.84
	Bank Disc. } 5½ per cent.	20	1,773,200	193,700	10.94			20	3,060,300	182,400	5.98
		21	2,467,800	133,000	5.39			21	2,668,400	196,600	7.40
		22	3,313,700	138,500	4.18			22	2,352,500	230,600	9.81
		23	...	...	...			23	2,914,600	226,800	7.80
26		24	2,501,700	239,200	9.57			24	3,489,000	256,700	7.36
		25	2,748,300	193,200	7.02			25	...	...	...
		26	1,529,700	140,000	9.15			26	3,075,700	282,900	9.19
		27	1,651,900	154,700	9.38			27	3,157,100	376,400	11.91
	FS	28	3,819,400	244,500	6.40			28	2,638,200	180,100	6.82
		29	3,043,100	197,800	6.50			29	5,267,800	375,900	7.13
		30	...	...	...		ES	30	4,587,400	208,200	4.54
			67,413,900	5,060,000			FS	31	3,708,800	194,000	5.32
									87,610,500	6,164,900	

Aggregate Demands made through the Clearing House upon the Bankers who use the Clearing House on each day in the Year 1839, &c.—Continued.

No. of the Week.	Date.	Aggregate Demands.	Bank Notes.	Bank Notes Per Cent.	No. of the Week.	Date.	Aggregate Demands.	Bank Notes.	Bank Notes Per Cent.
	Sept.	£	£			Nov.	£	£	
36	1	...	...		44	1	2,311,100	246,400	0·66
	2	2,544,000	159,900	6·30		2	3,786,100	208,400	5·50
	3	3,262,700	184,400	5·66		3	...	...	...
	4	3,820,100	295,300	7·73	45	4	3,457,600	194,900	5·65
	5	2,027,700	225,200	11·09		5	3,625,400	249,600	6·90
	6	2,833,800	178,900	6·32		6	2,739,200	198,400	7·24
	7	3,145,100	193,100	6·13		7	2,677,200	141,400	5·28
	8	...	...	...		8	2,994,700	193,200	6·47
37	9	2,342,300	158,200	6·76		9	3,456,600	201,000	5·81
	10	2,854,200	158,100	5·55		10	...	...	...
	11	2,466,600	188,900	7·65	46	11	2,922,200	158,300	5·42
	12	2,196,800	146,800	6·67		12	3,669,600	249,100	6·79
	13	3,075,400	209,900	6·82		13	3,113,600	156,900	5·05
	14	3,480,500	213,200	6·13		14	2,367,900	146,100	6·17
	15	...	...	...		15	4,883,200	204,600	4·19
38	16	4,758,700	249,000	5·23		16	3,362,500	183,500	5·46
	17	2,968,500	159,600	5·38		17	...	...	...
	18	2,145,700	180,400	8·39	47	18	2,781,100	130,900	4·71
	19	1,815,800	156,900	8·62		19	3,244,000	201,200	6·21
	20	2,577,400	163,300	6·33		20	2,484,200	110,300	4·45
	21	3,847,700	282,600	7·34		21	1,932,900	126,700	6·56
	22	...	...	...		22	2,685,400	175,600	6·53
39	23	3,175,200	191,500	6·02		23	3,281,000	170,100	5·19
	24	2,967,500	252,400	8·74		24	...	...	...
	25	2,437,700	245,700	10·07	48	25	2,300,200	175,200	7·62
	26	2,135,000	150,600	7·07		26	3,024,700	192,200	6·37
	27	2,812,300	312,300	11·11		27	4,253,000	178,500	4·20
	28	3,469,500	233,700	6·74	ES	28	2,496,200	161,900	6·48
	29	...	...	...		29	4,393,400	266,800	6·08
40	30	5,087,500	232,900	4·58	FS	30	3,486,200	171,900	4·93
		74,237,700	5,129,800				81,729,200	4,793,100	
	Oct.					Dec.			
40	1	3,200,900	276,200	8·63	49	1	...	...	...
	2	2,428,600	117,900	4·86		2	2,373,900	235,000	9·92
	3	2,255,500	160,900	7·12		3	4,089,800	228,500	5·59
	4	4,090,600	255,600	6·25	IB	4	3,804,000	279,500	7·36
	5	3,413,700	171,300	5·03		5	2,623,000	197,500	7·54
	6	...	...	...		6	3,159,000	212,400	6·72
41	7	2,595,000	162,500	6·25		7	3,723,600	171,000	4·61
	8	3,284,700	262,800	8·01		8	...	...	...
	9	2,244,200	150,500	6·72	50	9	2,506,600	190,400	7·59
	10	2,022,200	181,500	8·99		10	2,694,700	191,500	7·12
	11	3,054,900	272,800	8·95		11	2,137,600	179,000	8·36
	12	3,773,300	199,400	5·29		12	2,254,300	162,700	7·23
	13	...	...	...		13	2,647,300	134,600	5·08
42	14	2,961,400	280,200	9·47		14	3,155,300	207,300	6·56
	15	6,209,900	271,300	4·37		15	...	...	...
	16	4,780,000	232,000	4·91	51	16	3,965,800	241,900	6·10
	17	3,092,100	194,200	6·28	FS	17	3,140,000	146,400	4·66
	18	3,807,000	192,200	5·04		18	2,032,900	144,100	7·06
	19	3,646,400	246,700	6·76		19	2,240,300	138,800	6·20
	20	...	...	...		20	2,619,700	201,400	7·69
43	21	2,764,300	183,700	6·66		21	3,027,600	133,300	4·40
	22	3,402,000	306,900	9·03		22	...	...	...
	23	3,233,300	206,300	6·39	52	23	2,378,200	149,300	6·37
	24	2,161,700	177,300	8·21		24	2,861,500	197,900	6·92
	25	2,983,300	173,100	5·81		25	...	...	...
	26	3,423,800	234,800	6·87		26	1,980,000	148,900	7·52
	27	...	...	...		27	2,275,200	223,400	9·80
44	28	2,484,900	168,500	6·80		28	2,842,100	187,100	6·59
	29	3,147,300	242,700	7·71		29	...	...	...
	30	2,534,200	166,400	6·58	53	30	2,659,200	255,500	9·61
	31	4,533,000	219,100	4·84	FS	31	3,642,200	197,600	5·43
		87,478,200	5,706,800				70,833,800	4,755,000	

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Date.	Aggregate Demands.	Bank Notes.	Per Cent.
1839.	£	£	£
January	82,762,400	6,348,500	7·672
February	76,164,700	4,960,200	6·513
March	75,879,200	5,621,500	7·408
April	85,839,200	5,836,000	6·800
May	80,587,600	5,615,000	6·882
June	67,413,900	5,060,000	7·506
July	83,865,200	6,284,800	7·494
August	87,610,500	6,164,900	7·037
September	74,237,700	5,129,800	6·910
October	87,478,200	5,706,800	6·524
November	81,729,200	4,793,100	5·866
December	70,833,800	4,755,000	6·713
	954,401,600	66,275,600	6·944

List of Bankers connected with the Clearing House.

Barclay, Bevan, Tritton, and Co.	Masterman, Peters, Mildred, Masterman, and Co.
Barnard, Dimsdale, Barnard, & Dimsdale	Prescott, Grote, Ames, Baillie, and Grote
Barnetts, Hoare, and Co.	Price (Sir Charles, Bart.), Marryatt, Coleman, and Price
Bosanquet and Co.	Robarts, Curtis, and Co.
Brown, Janson, and Co.	Rogers, Olding, Sharpe, Boycott, and Co.
Curries	Smith, Payne, and Smiths
Denison, Heywood, Kennard, and Co.	Spooner, Attwoods, and Co.
Dorrien, Magens, Dorrien, Mello, and Co.	Stevenson, Salt, and Sons
Fullers and Co.	Stone, Martin, and Stones
Glyn (Sir R. Carr, Bart.,) Halifax, Mills, and Co.	Veres, Sapte, Banbury, Muspratt, and Co.
Hanbury, Taylor, and Lloyds	Weston and Young
Hankeys and Co.	Whitmore, Wells, and Whitmore
Jones, Lloyd, and Co.	Williams, Deacon, Labouchere, and Co.
Ladbroke, Kingscote, and Gillman	Willis, Percivall, and Co.
Lubbock (Sir John W., Bart.), Forster, Clarke, and Co.	

**THE MARRIAGES, BIRTHS, AND DEATHS,
REGISTERED IN THE DIVISIONS, COUNTIES, AND DISTRICTS OF ENGLAND.**

The Marriages for the Quarter ended March, 1856, and the Births and Deaths for the Quarter ended June, 1856,

AS PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL.

THIS return comprises the births and deaths registered by 2,196 registrars in all the districts of England during the spring quarter that ended on June 30th, 1856; and the marriages in 12,180 churches or chapels, about 3,754 registered places of worship unconnected with the Established Church, and 628 superintendent registrars' offices, in the quarter that ended on March 31st, 1856.

The marriage rate, which was low, is now slightly above the average rate; the birth rate is high; and the death rate is low; so that the state of the population, in the light of these returns, is favourable.

MARRIAGES.—66,776 persons were married in the three months of January, February, and March. The annual rate in the quarter was 707 marriages to every 100,000 of the population; while the rate in the winter of 1855 was 631 (or less by one-tenth), and the average rate of the preceding winter quarters was 704. The marriages (33,388) were more by 4,257 than the marriages (29,131) in the winter quarter of 1855; and the increase is a sure indication of the prosperity of the country. The increase of marriages is observed in every division. The excess in the numbers in Portsmouth, Plymouth, and Hull is probably due to the return of our gallant seamen from the Black Sea and the Baltic.

BIRTHS.—173,204 boys and girls were born alive and registered in the spring quarter that ended on the last day of June; giving an increase of 7,954 children on the numbers of the corresponding quarter of 1855. It is the spring quarter in which the greatest number of births generally occurs; and this number is the

Marriages, Births, and Deaths, returned in the Years 1844-56 and in the Quarters of those Years.

YEARS.....	1844	1845	1846	1847	1848	1849	1850	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1856
Marriages	132249	143743	145664	135846	138230	141883	152744	154206	158782	164520	159349	151774	...
Births	540763	543521	572625	539965	563059	578159	593422	615865	624012	612391	634506	635123	...
Deaths	356933	349366	390315	423304	399833	440839	368996	395396	407135	421097	438239	426242	...
MARRIAGES.													
Quarters ended the last day of													
March	26397	29551	31417	27480	28398	28429	30567	32794	32977	35149	33144	29131	33388
June	34268	35300	37111	35197	34721	35844	39204	38635	40062	40446	40389	38454	...
September	31675	35003	35070	32439	32995	33874	37636	37316	38400	39899	38150	37151	...
December	39919	43889	42066	40729	42116	43736	45337	45531	47313	49026	47666	47038	...
BIRTHS.													
March	143578	143080	145108	146453	139736	153772	144551	157286	161803	161729	160892	166186	169252
June	136941	136853	149450	139072	149760	153693	155865	159073	159031	158697	172420	165250	173204
September	130078	132369	138718	127173	140359	135223	146911	150594	151232	147602	154735	154834	...
December	130166	131219	139349	127267	133204	135471	146095	148912	151956	144863	146459	148853	...
DEATHS.													
March	101024	104664	89484	119672	120032	105870	98430	105359	106358	118119	111970	134605	103208
June	85337	89149	90230	106718	99797	102153	92871	99458	100625	107647	109666	106594	106310
September	79708	74872	101664	93435	87638	135227	85849	91499	100832	92201	113939	87934	...
December	90864	80651	109937	103479	92436	97539	91845	99080	99770	103130	109664	97119	...

highest that has ever been returned in England. The number of registered births rose from 136,941 in the spring quarter of 1844, to 173,204 in the last spring quarter.

INCREASE OF POPULATION.—As the number of births was 173,204, and the number of deaths 100,310, the natural increase of the population of England was 72,894 in the three months of April, May, and June; so 1,903 lives were added, 1,102 were taken away, daily; leaving 801 as the daily increase. But in the same three months 60,379 emigrants left the ports of the United Kingdom at which Government agents are stationed; and of that number about 21,304 were of English origin. England, exclusive of Scotland and Ireland, sent about 234 emigrants daily over the seas, to Australia, to the United States, and to the North American Colonies. Of the immigrants who enter England, from Scotland, Ireland, and other parts, no statistical records are kept.

The emigration from the ports of the United Kingdom is less by nearly 6,000 than the emigration (66,111) in the spring quarter of 1855, and is less than half the average emigration (113,141) of the corresponding quarters of the eight years 1847-54.*

England:†--Annual Rate per Cent. of Marriage, Birth, and Death, during the Years 1846-56, and the Quarters of those Years.

Estimated Population of England in thousands in the middle of each Year.....	16925	17132	17340	17552	17766	17983	18206	18403	18612	18786	...	19043
YEARS	1846	1847	1848	1849	1850	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	Mean, 1846-55	1856
Marriages.....	·861	·793	·797	·808	·860	·858	·872	·894	·856	·808	·841	...
Births	3·383	3·152	3·247	3·294	3·340	3·425	3·428	3·328	3·408	3·381	3·339	...
Deaths	2·306	2·471	2·306	2·512	2·077	2·199	2·236	2·288	2·354	2·269	2·302	...
MARRIAGES.												
Quarters ended the last day of												
March	·757	·655	·661	·661	·702	·742	·730	·778	·726	·631	·704	·707
June	·882	·826	·805	·822	·888	·864	·885	·883	·872	·822	·855	...
September	·822	·761	·755	·766	·840	·822	·836	·859	·812	·783	·805	...
December	·983	·940	·961	·986	1·010	1·000	1·027	1·053	1·013	·989	·996	...
BIRTHS.												
March	3·498	3·488	3·252	3·575	3·321	3·567	3·582	3·578	3·523	3·602	3·499	3·585
June	3·551	3·265	3·474	3·523	3·530	3·557	3·509	3·464	3·722	3·534	3·513	3·655
September	3·251	2·945	3·211	3·056	3·281	3·317	3·291	3·177	3·294	3·265	3·209	...
December	3·256	2·938	3·088	3·053	3·253	3·270	3·298	3·100	3·111	3·128	3·145	...
DEATHS.												
March	2·157	2·850	2·794	2·462	2·261	2·388	2·354	2·613	2·452	2·918	2·525	2·186
June	2·144	2·506	2·313	2·341	2·107	2·224	2·221	2·355	2·216	2·279	2·271	2·117
September	2·382	2·163	2·005	3·057	1·917	2·015	2·185	1·985	2·425	1·854	2·199	...
December	2·545	2·389	2·108	2·199	2·045	2·176	2·165	2·214	2·330	2·041	2·221	...

† The table may be read thus, without reference to the decimal points:—In the year 1848, to 100,000 of the population of England there were 797 marriages, 3,247 births, and 2,306 deaths registered. The annual rates of marriage in each of the four quarters were ·661, ·805, ·755, and ·961 per cent.; the rates of death 2·794, 2·313, 2·005, and 2·108 per cent. In reading the population on the first line add three ciphers (000). The three months January, February, March, contain 90, in leap year 91 days; the three months April, May, June, 91 days; each of the last two quarters of the year 92 days. For this inequality a correction has been made in the calculation.

* From a Return with which the Registrar-General has been favoured by the Emigration Commissioners.

THE PRICE OF PROVISIONS, AND THE WEATHER.—The prices of some of the principal articles of food are shown in the annexed table, with a view of determining the effect of their variations on the births, deaths, and marriages.

During the last three months, wheat was sold on an average at the rate of 68s. 8d. a quarter; York regent potatoes at 80s. a ton, at the waterside market, Southwark; beef at 5½d. a pound, mutton at 5¾d. a pound, in the Leadenhall and Newgate markets. The price of wheat in the corresponding three months of 1854, 1855, and 1856, declined from 78s. 4d. to 68s. 8d., or nearly 10s. a quarter; potatoes fell from 155s. to 80s. a ton; beef fell only from 5¾d. to 5½d. per pound;

The Average Prices of Consols, of Wheat, Meat, and Potatoes, also the Average Quantity of Wheat sold and imported Weekly, in each of the nine Quarters ended June 30th, 1856.

Quarters ended	Average Price of Consols (for Money.)	Average Price of Wheat per Quarter in England and Wales.	Wheat sold in the 290 Cities and Towns in England and Wales making Returns.	Wheat and Wheat Flour entered for Home Consumption at Chief Ports of Great Britain.	Average Prices of Meat per lb. at Leadenhall and Newgate Markets (by the Carcase).		Average Prices of Potatoes (York Regents) per Ton at Waterside Market, Southwark.
			Average Number of Quarters weekly.		Beef.	Mutton.	
1854 June 30.	£ 88 ⁵ / ₈	78s. 4d.	55,842	103,331	4 ¹ / ₂ d.—6 ¹ / ₄ d. Mean 5 ³ / ₈ d.	4 ³ / ₄ d.—6 ³ / ₄ d. Mean 5 ³ / ₄ d.	137s.—172s. Mean 155s.
Sept. 30.	93 ⁷ / ₈	63s. 10d.	56,389	48,135	4 ³ / ₄ d.—6 ³ / ₄ d. Mean 5 ³ / ₄ d.	5d.—7d. Mean 6d.	75s.—85s. Mean 80s.
Dec. 31.	93 ⁵ / ₈	68s. 0d.	128,783	19,513	4 ¹ / ₂ d.—6 ³ / ₄ d. Mean 5 ⁵ / ₈ d.	5d.—7d. Mean 6d.	95s.—105s. Mean 100s.
1855 Mar. 31.	91 ⁷ / ₈	69s. 11d.	88,000	33,821	4 ³ / ₄ d.—6 ¹ / ₂ d. Mean 5 ³ / ₈ d.	4 ³ / ₄ d.—6 ¹ / ₂ d. Mean 5 ³ / ₈ d.	105s.—120s. Mean 112s. 6d.
June 30.	90 ⁵ / ₈	73s. 4d.	94,791	57,068	4 ¹ / ₂ d.—6 ¹ / ₂ d. Mean 5 ¹ / ₄ d.	4 ³ / ₄ d.—6 ³ / ₄ d. Mean 5 ³ / ₄ d.	110s.—130s. Mean 120s.
Sept. 30.	90 ⁵ / ₈	76s. 1d.	94,545	51,511	5d.—6 ³ / ₄ d. Mean 5 ⁵ / ₈ d.	5d.—7d. Mean 6d.	69s.—79s. Mean 74s.
Dec. 31.	88 ¹ / ₄	79s. 4d.	126,893	42,358	4 ³ / ₄ d.—6 ³ / ₄ d. Mean 5 ³ / ₄ d.	4 ³ / ₄ d.—6 ³ / ₄ d. Mean 5 ³ / ₄ d.	90s.—100s. Mean 95s.
1856 Mar. 31.	90 ⁵ / ₈	72s. 4d.	92,152	48,018	4 ¹ / ₂ d.—6 ¹ / ₂ d. Mean 5 ¹ / ₄ d.	4 ¹ / ₂ d.—6 ¹ / ₂ d. Mean 5 ³ / ₈ d.	78s.—93s. Mean 86s.
June 30.	93 ³ / ₈	68s. 8d.	104,952	63,093	4 ¹ / ₂ d.—6 ¹ / ₂ d. Mean 5 ¹ / ₄ d.	5d.—6 ³ / ₄ d. Mean 5 ⁵ / ₈ d.	70s.—90s. Mean 80s.
Col.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Note.—The total number of quarters of wheat sold in England and Wales for the 13 weeks ended June 30th, 1854, 725,946; for the 13 weeks ended September 30th, 1854, 733,059; for the 13 weeks ended December 31st, 1854, 1,674,173; for the 13 weeks ended March 31st, 1855, 1,143,999; for the 13 weeks ended June 30th, 1855, 1,232,284; for the 13 weeks ended September 30th, 1855, 1,229,082; for the 13 weeks ended December 31st, 1855, 1,649,610; for the 13 weeks ended March 31st, 1856, 1,197,970; and for the 13 weeks ended June 30th, 1856, 1,364,370. The total number of quarters entered for Home Consumption was, respectively, 1,343,305; 625,755; 253,669; 439,676; 741,890; 669,639; 550,652; 624,233; and 820,206.

mutton, on the other hand, rose from 5½d. to 5¾d. per pound. Upon the whole, the prices of articles of most extensive consumption, as food, declined.

The value of the public securities rose.

The weather during the last three months is fully described in Mr. Glaisher's Meteorological Report. The mean temperature at Greenwich was 52°·3, the fall of rain was 7·4. (See Mr. Glaisher's Report, p. 296.)

STATE OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH.—The deaths in the three spring months were 100,310; and the annual mortality was at the rate of 2·117 per cent. or nearly 21 in 1000; the average annual rate of the season being nearly 23 in 1000. The mortality has been, during the whole of the half year past, much below the average rate.

The mortality in the spring quarter among the people living in the districts and the sub-districts comprising the chief towns of England was at the annual rate of 23·85 (nearly 24) per 1000; the mortality of the rest of the people in the small towns and in the country parishes was at the annual rate of 18·78 (nearly 19) per 1000. The rate of mortality is in both classes of districts below the average; but the reduction of the rate is less considerable in the town than in the country populations.

The changes in the diseases and the low mortality that has reigned in London have been noticed in the Weekly Tables. The salutary effects of the improved

Deaths in the Spring Quarters, 1846-56.

	1846	1847	1848	1849	1850	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	Total 1846-55 (10 Yrs.)	1856
In 125 Districts and 23 Sub-districts, comprising the chief towns	45711	53155	48887	50469	45039	50501	50588	54131	53797	53653	505931	52037
In the remaining Districts and Sub-Districts of England and Wales, comprising chiefly small towns and country parishes ...	44519	53563	50840	51684	47832	48957	50037	53516	48869	52931	502748	48273
All England	90230	106718	99727	102153	92871	99458	100625	107647	102666	106584	1008679	100310

Area, Population, Deaths, and Mortality per Cent. in the Spring Quarters, 1846-56.

	Area in Statute Acres.	Population Enumerated.		Deaths in 10 Spring Quarters, 1846-55.	Average Annual Rate of Mortality per Cent. of 10 Spring Quarters, 1846-55.	Annual Rate of Mortality per Cent. in the Spring Quarter 1856.
		June 6-7th, 1841.	March 31st, 1851.			
In 125 Districts, and 23 Sub-Districts, comprising the chief towns	2,149,800	6,838,069	8,247,017	505,931	2·466	2·385
In the remaining Districts and Sub-districts of England and Wales, comprising chiefly small towns and country parishes	35,175,115	9,076,079	9,680,592	502,748	2·081	1·878
All England	37,324,915	15,914,148	17,927,609	1,008,679	2·271	2·117

water supply, and of other sanatory measures, in Bermondsey, are pointed out by one of the registrars; as similar improvements in Lambeth and other districts are referable to the same causes, the whole of the results can be collected and discussed most conveniently together when a greater number of facts has accumulated.

The deaths (8158) in the South-Eastern Counties are below the average number; and nearly a thousand less than the deaths in the spring quarter of the previous year. In Kent the deaths slightly exceeded the average; in Surrey, Sussex, Hants, and Berks, the decrease was well marked. Scarlatina and measles prevailed in some districts of Kent; at Faversham malignant scarlatina prevailed through the whole quarter, and the deaths were nearly doubled. The registrar of Newport in the Isle of Wight states, that he has registered four deaths from small-pox in the Parkhurst barracks. In the Isle of Wight generally, in the New Forest, and in some other districts of the division, the mortality has been at as low a rate as 16 in 1,000.

The South Midland Counties were generally in a healthy state; the deaths in the quarter were 6,270. In Oxfordshire, Northamptonshire, and Huntingdonshire, the mortality was nearly at the average rate; in Buckinghamshire and in Cambridge-shire the rate of mortality was much below the average. Small-pox was very prevalent in Northampton; and the deaths from all causes were 295; so the mortality was at the annual rate of nearly 35 in 1,000. At Cambridge the deaths during the last three spring quarters were 155, 150, and 101. The registrar of St. Andrew's, Cambridge, says:—

“The decrease in the deaths compared with those of the same quarter in 1855 speaks well for the healthy condition of this district, and may in some measure be accounted for by the introduction of a large and constant supply of water last autumn, in pipes from a distance of two or three miles, which will not only be the means of great comfort and convenience to the inhabitants, but will also materially assist in cleansing the town. Scarlatina appears to be the most prominent, if not the only, disease among children.”

The beneficial effects of a constant supply of pure water on the health of the town populations become every day more apparent.

The deaths in the Eastern Counties were 5,758, while the numbers in the previous spring quarter were 6,194. The mortality was low in Norwich. Scarlatina in a severe form prevailed in Epping, Great Warley, Bradwell, Hempstead (Parish), South Walsham and Hillington. The fishermen in King's Lynn North refuse generally to have their children vaccinated; and ten died of small-pox.

The South-Western Counties lost 8,516 of the inhabitants by death; but the mortality was low in every county, and the deaths were 1,177 less than the deaths in the spring quarter of 1855. At Trowbridge in Wilts it is gratifying to find that many families have removed with the best effect from unhealthy yards to healthy cottages, with small gardens attached, in the outskirts of the town. The improvement of the houses is sure to be followed by the improvement of the inhabitants. The pernicious effects of the night soil, which is still left under the houses in our towns, have been fatally proved in Poole; where three men died from descending into the vaults. The registrar remarks:—“If the machine with hose had been used, this sad result, which has rendered seven children fatherless, and three wives widows, could not have occurred.”

In proceeding northwards, the diminution in the mortality of the divisions is less considerable. In Staffordshire the deaths (4081) are rather more numerous than the deaths in the previous spring quarter; but in the other counties of the West Midland Division the deaths exhibit a decrease. 1133 deaths were recorded in the Birmingham district. Small-pox, scarlatina, and measles prevailed in some districts.

In the North Midland Counties 6,290 deaths were registered. In Lincolnshire

a remarkable decrease is observed in the deaths, which were 2,067, 2,251, and 1,714 in the three last spring quarters.

The deaths in the North Western Division were 16,088; namely, 2,318 in Cheshire, and 13,770 in Lancashire. The numbers are a little below the average. Liverpool and West Derby exhibit a gratifying decrease in the mortality; the deaths in the two districts were 2,799 to a population of 411,515 in 1851. The registrar of the West Derby sub-district makes the following remarks:—

“My district during the whole of the quarter has been in a more healthy state than at any former period; so much so, that during the week ending Saturday the 24th May there were only three deaths in the whole sub-district, which at the census of 1851 contained 33,013 inhabitants, and there will be an increase on that number of at least 5,000 since that time. The township of West Derby has always been noted as the most healthy locality in the vicinity of Liverpool, and this usually favourable state of the district is further improved by the excellent system of draining, sewerage, and cleansing the streets that has been adopted. The births have for some time past been double the number of deaths, owing to the healthy state of the district and the increased population.”

Sanatory measures in Liverpool will we may hope henceforward reduce the high mortality which has reigned there, and to which the attention of the authorities was first called in these reports.

10,689 deaths were registered in Yorkshire; and of that number 1,358 occurred in Bradford, to a population of 181,964 in 1851; 1,242 were registered in Leeds and Hunslet; 695 were registered in Sheffield.

The 5,834 deaths in the Northern Counties slightly exceed in number the deaths in either of the two previous spring quarters. Small-pox and scarlatina have prevailed. Vaccination is evidently neglected among the colliers. The mortality increased in Durham and in Northumberland; decreased in Cumberland and in Westmorland.

In Wales and Monmouthshire 6,781 deaths were registered; the deaths in the previous spring quarter were 7,392. Small-pox and scarlatina have prevailed epidemically in some districts.

At this season of the year, when many people are travelling on the continent, as well as in England, it may be useful to state that it is now well established by extensive observation, that England is the healthiest country in Europe. France stands next to England in salubrity. In the continental cities the annual rate of mortality is seldom less than 30 in 1,000; and the rate frequently rises to 40 in 1,000. In London the rate of mortality is 25 in 1,000.

On an average of ten years (1841-50) the mortality was at the annual rate per 1,000 of 15 in three English districts, 16 in fourteen districts, 17 in forty-seven districts, 18 in eighty-seven districts. These facts prove that the climate of England is eminently salubrious; and it has not yet been shown that the climate of any part of the continent is equally or more salubrious than this island, crowned with hills of moderate elevation, sloping towards the east and the south; bathed by the showers of the Atlantic; drained naturally by rivers running short courses to the sea; cultivated more extensively than other lands; and producing those unequalled breeds of sheep, cattle, and horses, which flourish only in healthy places.

The healthiest parts of England are not yet places of general resort; but the annual mortality in the various districts, comprising watering places, seldom exceeds 21 in 1,000 of the population; and is probably lower in those regions of the districts to which visitors resort. The annexed Table shows the mortality of some of the principal English watering places. It will be observed, on inspecting the last column, and comparing the deaths with the population, that Hastings, Brighton, the Isle of Wight, Worthing, Mutford (including Lowestoft), Newton

Abbot, Barnstaple (including Ilfracombe), Bath, and Cheltenham, have experienced low rates of mortality during the spring quarter. And it should be always borne in mind, in selecting places of resort, that through the peculiar nature of zymotic diseases, places usually healthy are periodically visited by epidemics, which can only be avoided by consulting recent returns, or by actual inquiries on the spot. The cleansing and the sewerage of all watering places require improvement, as their arrangements were made when sanatory science was at a low ebb.

Mortality in the Districts containing some of the principal English Watering Places.

DISTRICTS.	Deaths annually to 1,000 persons living during the 10 years 1841 to 1850.	Deaths registered in the 3 months ended 30th June, 1856.	DISTRICTS.	Deaths annually to 1,000 persons living during the 10 years 1841 to 1850	Deaths registered in the 3 months ended 30th June, 1856.
Tunbridge (including Tunbridge Wells)	20	144	Bath.....	24	318
Thanet (including Ramsgate and Margate)	19	135	Clifton (including part of Bristol City and Bristol Workhouse)	23	437
Dover	21	135	Cheltenham	20	178
Hastings	18	103	Upton-on-Severn (including Malvern)	18	85
Eastbourne	15	40	Warwick (including Leamington)	20	205
Brighton	21	304	Ashborne, Bakewell, and Chapel-en-le-Frith (including Buxton and Matlock)	20	321
Worthing (including Littlehampton and Arundel)}	17	74	Scarborough	21	109
Isle of Wight (including Ryde, Newport, and Cowes)	17	209	Knaresborough (including Harrogate).....	20	180*
Mutford (including Lowestoft)	17	80	Whitby	21	113
Yarmouth	23	126	Kendal	20	168
Newton Abbot (including Dawlish, Torquay, and East and West Teignmouth)	19	238	Aberystwyth	18	131
Barnstaple (including Ilfracombe)	17	128	Bangor.....	21	204
			Anglesey	17	208

* This number includes the deaths in Great Ouseburn and Wetherby, which formed part of the Knaresborough district during the period (1841-50), alluded to in the previous column.

NOTE.—The numbers of births and deaths in this return are furnished by the Registrars at the end of the quarter, and have not yet been subjected to revision at the General Register Office; they will therefore be found to differ, in some instances, from the more correct numbers to be published hereafter in the Annual Report of the Registrar General.

Marriages Registered in the Quarters ended 31st March, 1854-56; Births and Deaths Registered in the Quarters ended 30th June, 1854-56, in the Divisions of England.

DIVISIONS.	Area in Statute Acres.	Population, 1851.	MARRIAGES			BIRTHS			DEATHS		
			Registered in the Quarter ended the last Day of								
			March			June			June		
			1854.	1855.	1856.	1854.	1855.	1856.	1854.	1855.	1856.
ENGLAND.....	37,324,915	17,927,609	33,144	29,131	33,388	172,420	165,250	173,204	102,666	106,584	100,310
<i>Divisions.</i>											
i. London	78,029	2,362,236	5,373	4,723	5,526	22,109	21,446	22,245	15,114	14,984	14,098
ii. South Eastern Counties	4,065,105	1,628,386	2,316	2,176	2,588	13,730	12,761	13,887	7,984	9,133	8,158
iii. South Midland Counties	3,201,290	1,234,332	1,544	1,346	1,654	10,925	10,202	10,835	6,236	6,893	6,270
iv. Eastern Counties	3,214,099	1,113,982	1,463	1,362	1,582	9,676	9,107	9,723	5,364	6,194	5,758
v. South Western Counties	4,994,490	1,803,291	3,026	2,746	3,130	15,298	14,324	15,018	8,616	9,693	8,516
vi. West Midland Counties	3,865,332	2,136,573	4,115	3,472	4,042	21,884	21,329	21,952	12,994	12,713	11,828
vii. North Midland Counties	3,540,797	1,215,501	2,012	1,747	1,932	11,158	10,694	11,514	6,899	6,624	6,290
viii. North Western Counties	2,000,227	2,488,438	5,947	4,784	5,285	27,557	26,761	27,450	16,273	16,958	16,088
ix. Yorkshire.....	3,654,636	1,789,047	3,612	3,170	3,633	19,015	18,036	18,796	10,905	10,414	10,689
x. Northern Counties	3,492,322	969,125	1,826	1,741	1,871	9,824	9,771	10,313	5,316	5,596	5,834
xi. { Monmouthshire and Wales	5,218,588	1,186,697	1,910	1,864	2,145	11,244	10,819	11,471	6,965	7,392	6,781

On the Meteorology of England, during the Quarter ended June 30th, 1856. By JAMES GLAISHER, Esq., F.R.S., Sec. of the British Meteorological Society.

The high day temperature in April was $0^{\circ}4$ in excess; in May was the very large amount of $5\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ in defect; and in June was about its average value.

The low night temperature in April was $0^{\circ}6$ in defect; in May was $1\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ in defect; and in June was about its average value.

The mean temperature in April was slightly in excess, much in defect in May, and differed but little from its average in June. The periods and average daily amount of excess were from April 1st to 15th, $3\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$; for the first 13 days of June, 1° ; and from June 25th to 30th, 4° . The periods and average daily amount of defect were from April 16th to 30th, $2\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$; from May 1st to 9th, $9\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$; from 10th to 31st, $1\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$; and from June 14th to 24th, 4° . The temperature upon the quarter was in defect to the amount of $1\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$, as compared with the corresponding quarter of the preceding 15 years.

The atmospheric pressure was greater in May than in April at all stations; the amount at extreme northern stations was $0\cdot1$ inch, which decreased proceeding northward to $0\cdot03$ inches, or $0\cdot04$ inches in latitude 53° , and increased to $0\cdot1$ inch at extreme northern stations. In June at southern stations the excess over May was $0\cdot26$ inches, and this quantity gradually decreased going northwards till at extreme northern stations, the pressure was less in June than in May.

The pressure of the atmosphere was in defect during the months of April and May, and in excess in June. Upon the whole quarter it was slightly in defect.

The water mingled with the air was in defect in the first two months, and slightly in excess in June.

The degree of humidity was below its average in April, of its average value in May, and in excess in June. Upon the quarter it was of its average value.

The daily ranges of temperature were slightly in excess in April; in defect in May; and of their average values in June.

Rain was somewhat in excess in April and May, particularly in the latter month, and slightly in defect in June.

The general direction of the wind for the quarter was west, and the least prevalent was east at all places.

The mean temperature of the air at Greenwich for the quarter ending May, constituting the three spring months, was $45^{\circ}0$, being— $1^{\circ}5$ below the average of 85 years. (See table, next page.)

Thunderstorms occurred, or thunder was heard and lightning seen, on the 4th April at Nottingham and York; on the 13th at Scarborough; on the 14th at Helston and Maidstone; and on the 30th at Patricxbourn. On the 7th of May at Maidstone; on the 12th at Lambeth; on the 13th at Leeds and York; on the 14th at York, Allenheads, North Shields, and Durham; on the 17th at Lewisham, London, Battersea, and Lambeth; on the 18th at London and York; on the 19th at North Shields; on the 22nd at Berkhamstead, Knebworth, Cardington, Worcester and Leeds; on the 23rd at Worcester, Nottingham, Bowdon, Liverpool, and Stonyhurst; 24th at Eign and Holkham; on the 25th at Worcester; on the 26th at Wakefield, Leeds, and York; on the 27th at Lambeth, Holkham, Liverpool, Leeds, and York; on the 28th at Paddington, Battersea, Rose Hill, Oxford, and Worcester; and on the 29th at Newport. On the 13th of June at Lambeth; on the 14th at Hartwell and Belvoir; on the 19th at Lambeth, Rose Hill, Bicester, Berkhamstead, Oxford, Hartwell, Knebworth, Royston, Bedford, Worcester, and Hawarden; and on the 20th at Maidstone, Lewisham, London, Battersea, Hartwell, Knebworth, and Bedford.

Thunder was heard, but lightning was not seen, on the 4th April at Belvoir and Wakefield; on the 6th at Teignmouth and Rose Hill; on the 7th at Patricxbourn; on the 9th at Teignmouth and Hastings; on the 13th at Knebworth, Worcester, Holkham, Liverpool, and Wakefield; on the 14th at Lampeter; on the 25th at Hastings, Belvoir, and Nottingham; on the 26th at Knebworth; on the 28th at Belvoir, Nottingham, and Wakefield; on the 29th at Belvoir; and on the 30th at Knebworth. On the 11th of May at Holkham; on the 13th at Wakefield; on

the 14th at Grantham, Nottingham, and Wakefield; on the 15th at Nottingham; on the 17th at Bicester; on the 21st at Ryde; on the 22d at Guernsey, Hartwell, and Holkham; on the 23rd at Eign and Lampeter; on the 24th at Hartwell; on the 25th at Belvoir; on the 26th at Belvoir, Nottingham, Stonyhurst, Scarborough, Bywell, and Durham; on the 27th at Wakefield, Scarborough, Bywell, and Durham; on the 28th at Bicester, Hartwell, Belvoir, Nottingham, and Bowdon; and on the 29th at Ryde and Hastings. On the 14th June at Knebworth; on the 19th at Lampeter and Nottingham; on the 20th at Paddington, Oxford, and Royston; and on the 27th at Grantham.

Lightning was seen, but thunder was not heard, on the 13th April at Rose Hill; and on the 25th at Nottingham. On the 3rd May at Rose Hill; on the 12th at Patribourn; on the 21st at Bicester; and on the 22nd at Bicester and Oxford. On the 8th June at Worcester.

Hail fell on the 4th April at Nottingham, Hawarden, Scarborough, Allenheads, and North Shields; on the 5th at Norwich; on the 6th at Patribourn, Clifton, Paddington, Rose Hill, Bicester, Berkhamstead, Knebworth, Royston, and Isle of Man; on the 7th at Holkham and Scarborough; on the 9th at Guernsey and Patribourn; on the 26th at Knebworth, Lampeter, and Allenheads; on the 27th at Hawarden and Allenheads; on the 28th at Ryde, Nottingham, Stonyhurst, Allenheads, and North Shields; on the 29th at Lambeth, Lampeter, Hawarden, and North Shields; and on the 30th at Teignmouth, Patribourn, Lambeth, Bicester, Berkhamstead, Oxford, Knebworth, Norwich, Nottingham, Allenheads,

1856. Months.		Temperature of										Elastic Force of Vapour.		Weight of Vapour in a Cubic Foot of Air.	
		Air.			Evaporation.		Dew Point.		Air— Daily Range.		Water of the Thames.				
		Mean.	Diff. from Average of 85 Years.	Diff. from Average of 15 Years.	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 15 Years.	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 15 Years.	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 15 Years.		Mean.	Diff. from Average of 15 Years.	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 15 Years.
April	46·8	+0·7	+0·2	43·0	-0·6	38·7	-1·5	19·1	+1·4	50·0	In. ·235	In. -·014	Gr. 2·7	Gr. -0·4	
May	49·5	-2·9	-3·5	46·2	-3·1	42·9	-2·7	16·5	-2·8	53·4	·276	-·030	3·1	-0·4	
June	58·5	+0·5	-0·4	55·0	+0·6	51·8	+1·4	20·8	+0·8	62·4	·385	+·019	4·3	+0·3	
Mean.....	52·3	-0·6	-1·2	48·1	-1·0	44·5	-0·9	18·8	-0·2	55·3	·299	-·008	3·4	-0·2	

1856. Months.		Degree of Humidity.		Reading of Barometer.		Weight of a Cubic Foot of Air.		Rain.		Daily Hori- zontal Move- ment of the Air.	Reading of Thermometer on Grass.				
		Mean.	Diff. from Average of 15 Years.	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 15 Years.	Mean.	Diff. from Average of 15 Years.	Amnt.	Diff. from Average of 40 Years.		Number of Nights it was			Low- est Read- ing at Night.	High- est Read- ing at Night.
											At or below 30°.	Be- tween 30° and 40°.	Above 40°.		
April	74	- 5	In. 29·615	In. -136	Gr. 542	Gr. - 2	In. 2·3	In. +0·5	Miles. 132	18	7	4	16·0	47·0	
May	77	0	29·647	-124	539	+ 2	3·5	+1·4	148	3	18	9	20·1	47·1	
June	79	+ 5	29·877	+088	533	+ 2	1·6	-0·3	76	1	9	20	31·2	56·1	
Mean.....	77	0	29·713	-·057	538	+ 1	Sum 7·4	Sum +1·6	119	Sum 22	Sum 34	Sum 33	16·0	56·1	

Note.—In reading this table it will be borne in mind that the sign (—) minus signifies below the average, and that the sign (+) plus signifies above the average.

and North Shields. On twenty different days in May, and frequently fell at many places on the same day, and it fell on June 13th, 14th, 19th, and 20th chiefly in the south of England.

Lunar Halos were seen on the 9th April at Patricxbourn, Lewisham, and Cardington; on the 11th at Lambeth and Cardington; on the 13th at Patricxbourn; and on the 14th at Stonyhurst. On the 10th May at Truro; on the 14th at Cardington; on the 17th at Knebworth; on the 20th at Hartwell and Nottingham; and on the 21st at Cardington; on the 10th and 11th June at Knebworth.

An aurora was seen on the 8th April at Clifton.

Solar Halos were seen on the 2nd April at Knebworth; on the 4th at Clifton; on the 14th at Clifton and Knebworth; on the 15th at Nottingham; on the 24th at Culloden; and on the 25th at Clifton and Hartwell. On the 6th May at Knebworth; on the 7th at Grantham; on the 8th at Nottingham; on the 10th at Knebworth; on the 17th at Nottingham; on the 20th at Clifton; and on the 21st at Berkhamstead and Nottingham. On the 4th and 5th June at Knebworth; on the 6th at Clifton; on the 10th at Nottingham; on the 11th at Grantham; and on the 29th at Nottingham.

Snow fell on the 4th April at Nottingham and Allenheads; on the 17th at Allenheads; on the 19th at Battersea; on the 26th at Stonyhurst and Allenheads; on the 27th at Berkhamstead, Knebworth, Stonyhurst, and Allenheads; on the 28th at Grantham, Allenheads, and North Shields; and on the 29th and 30th at Allenheads. On the 1st May at Maidstone, Stonyhurst, Allenheads, and North Shields; on the 3rd at Knebworth and North Shields; on the 4th at Allenheads; and on the 6th at Durham.

Fog was prevalent at one or more stations on sixteen days in April; on seventeen days in May; and on eleven days in June.

Swallows first seen on the 6th April at Bowdon; on the 10th at Helston; on the 13th at Hartwell; on the 15th at Battersea and Grantham; on the 17th at Jersey and Stonyhurst; on the 22nd at Cardington and Belvoir; on the 23rd at Patricxbourn and Bicester; on the 24th at Berkhamstead and Royston; on the 25th at Clifton and Nottingham; and on the 26th at Scarborough. On the 4th May at Guernsey; on the 9th at Oxford; and on the 16th at Hawarden.

Cuckoo first heard on 13th April at Guernsey and Allenheads; on the 17th at Jersey; on the 20th at Clifton and Bicester; on the 22nd at Cardington; on the 24th at Eign; on the 25th at Patricxbourn and Hartwell; on the 26th at Royston and Bowdon; on the 27th at Scarborough; on the 28th at Nottingham. On the 1st May at Newport; on the 4th at Teignmouth and Lampeter; on the 9th at Berkhamstead; on the 10th at Stonyhurst; on the 12th at Grantham; and on the 13th at Hawarden.

Nightingale first heard on the 13th April at Newport; on the 16th at Bicester; on the 18th at Patricxbourn; on the 22nd at Cardington; and on the 28th at Hartwell and Nottingham.

Wheat in ear on the 10th June at Jersey; on the 16th at Battersea; on the 17th at Holkham; on the 18th at Helston; on the 20th at Rose Hill; on the 22nd at Newport and Oxford; and on the 23rd at Berkhamstead.

Lilac in flower on the 18th April at Jersey; on the 24th at Helston; on the 26th at Guernsey. On the 7th May at Newport; on the 10th at Bicester; on the 12th at Oxford; on the 13th at Clifton; on the 18th at Patricxbourn; on the 19th at Eign; on the 20th at Berkhamstead; on the 23rd at Hawarden; on the 24th at Nottingham; on the 25th at Stonyhurst; on the 27th at Bowdon; and on the 29th at Hartwell.

Barley in ear on the 26th June at Helston, Oxford, and Nottingham; on the 27th at Berkhamstead; and on the 28th at Battersea.

Laburnum in flower on the 20th May at Bicester; on the 22nd at Eign; on the 27th at Berkhamstead; on the 28th at Bowdon; on the 29th at Patricxbourn and Hartwell. On the 7th June at North Shields.

Meteorological Table, Quarter ended June 30th, 1856.

NAMES OF STATIONS.	Mean Pressure of Dry Air reduced to the Level of the Sea.	Highest Reading of the Thermo- meter.	Lowest Reading of the Thermo- meter.	Range of Tempera- ture in the Quarter.	Mean Monthly Range of Tempera- ture.	Mean Daily Range of Tempera- ture.	Mean Tempera- ture of the Air.	Mean Degree of Hu- midity.	WIND.				Mean Amount of Cloud.	RAIN.		
									Mean estimated Strength.	Relative Proportion of				Number of Days on which it fell.	Amount collected.	
										N.	E.	S.				W.
Jersey.....	in. 29.640	° 74.0	° 40.0	° 34.0	° 26.7	° 9.8	° 51.3	78	1.6	....	....	....	....	4.4	32	in. 6.9
Falmouth .....	.....	82.0	37.0	45.0	32.0	15.2	52.7	....	1.9	....	....	....	....	6.2	45	10.6
Truro	29.576	82.0	31.0	51.0	37.7	15.9	51.6	79	1.6	....	....	....	....	6.4	41	9.6
Teignmouth	29.611	75.0	31.3	43.7	33.4	15.3	50.9	74	0.6	29	40	59	53	5.6	40	7.1
Exeter	29.616	86.0	31.8	54.2	31.8	18.5	52.5	71	1.5	36	9	27	16	6.0	40	6.5
Newport	29.586	85.7	28.2	57.5	43.0	18.5	51.6	81	2.3	21	12	22	29	5.2	34	9.6
Clifton	29.567	79.2	29.7	49.5	40.6	16.3	50.2	84	1.0	50	24	35	53	5.8	38	8.3
Royal Observatory	29.596	83.1	29.8	53.3	42.3	18.8	50.5	79	....	27	11	26	26	7.4	38	7.4
Rose Hill	29.582	83.3	28.3	55.0	41.5	19.8	50.9	79	1.9	....	....	....	....	6.6	38	7.7
Oxford	29.601	82.0	27.0	55.0	41.1	16.4	50.7	81	1.6	....	....	....	....	7.6	40	9.3
Hartwell Rectory	29.518	84.8	29.7	55.1	42.4	18.6	51.1	87	1.2	42	32	41	67	6.2	43	7.7
Royston	29.622	86.3	26.4	59.9	45.0	18.5	51.2	76	....	55	11	44	63	6.6	53	5.5
Lampeter	29.605	82.0	25.3	56.7	45.9	19.8	50.0	81	0.7	40	22	46	56	6.3	49	8.8
Norwich	29.571	76.5	28.0	48.5	39.8	18.2	50.9	82	2.0	....	....	....	....	6.2	41	5.4
Derby	29.521	81.0	28.0	53.0	38.7	17.9	49.3	77	....	18	18	25	30	....	45	7.0
Holkham	29.605	86.6	28.5	58.1	39.7	16.2	50.8	76	1.5	....	....	....	....	....	39	4.2
Nottingham	29.602	84.2	28.5	55.7	42.2	18.3	56.9	89	0.4	....	....	....	....	7.3	51	7.7
Hawarden	29.580	73.5	32.0	41.5	32.5	12.6	49.3	81	1.5	....	....	....	....	7.5	30	5.5
Liverpool	29.618	70.7	36.4	34.3	27.6	11.7	49.9	82	0.9	....	....	....	....	7.1	30	5.1
Manchester	29.564	78.3	28.8	49.5	42.3	19.0	50.9	80	....	21	21	19	30	7.2	47	8.8
Wakefield	29.595	79.9	25.7	54.2	45.3	18.7	50.2	76	1.6	53	31	30	64	7.4	50	8.8
York	29.550	78.5	26.5	52.0	37.2	14.5	48.1	83	....	....	....	....	....	....	40	8.1
Scarborough .....	.....	77.0	33.4	43.6	27.3	9.0	47.4	82	2.1	42	68	37	29	....	39	7.6
Durham	29.598	76.9	30.0	46.9	31.1	11.4	45.6	87	1.8	....	....	....	....	8.4	44	9.2
North Shields	29.683	77.2	32.0	45.2	28.0	10.3	45.9	91	1.9	53	52	37	35	6.7	56	16.4

REVENUE.

An Abstract of the Net Produce of the Revenue of the United Kingdom in the Years and Quarters ended 30th June, 1855 and 1856; showing the Increase or Decrease thereof.—(Continued from page 196.)

Sources of Revenue.	Years ended 30th June.			
	1855.	1856.	Increase.	Decrease.
	£	£	£	£
Customs.....	22,478,883	23,130,444	651,561	....
Excise	17,642,572	17,552,778	....	89,794
Stamps	7,359,832	7,062,115	....	297,717
Taxes.....	3,091,375	3,097,026	5,651	....
Property Tax	11,665,290	15,187,953	3,522,663	....
Post Office.....	2,719,000	2,768,152	49,152	....
Crown Lands.....	270,572	282,516	11,944	....
Miscellaneous	901,904	1,150,064	248,160	....
Totals.....	66,129,428	70,231,048	4,489,131	387,511
			Net Increase £4,101,620	

Sources of Revenue.	Quarters ended 30th June.			
	1855.	1856.	Increase.	Decrease.
	£	£	£	£
Customs	5,768,309	5,864,724	96,415	....
Excise	4,763,374	5,005,000	241,626	....
Stamps	1,871,978	1,858,083	....	13,895
Taxes.....	1,346,031	1,343,026	....	3,005
Property Tax.....	2,259,756	2,376,751	116,995	....
Post Office.....	725,000	716,000	....	9,000
Crown Lands.....	63,000	64,000	1,000	....
Miscellaneous	325,772	317,688	....	8,084
Totals.....	17,123,220	17,545,272	456,036	33,984
			Net Increase £422,052	

An Account showing the Net Revenue and other Receipts of the Quarter ended the 30th of June, 1856; the Application of the same, and the Charge of the Consolidated Fund for the said Quarter, together with the Surplus or Deficiency upon such Charge.

Surplus balance beyond the charge of the Consolidated Fund, for the quarter ended March 31st, 1856, viz.:— Great Britain £647,831 Ireland	£ 647,831	Amount applied out of the net income for the quarter ended June 30th, 1856, to redemption of Exchequer Bills (Deficiency) for the quarter ended March 31st, 1856, less portion of charge transferred to Ireland	£ 2,569,109
Balance of Money received under the Act for Funding Exchequer Bills	159,000	Exchequer Bills redeemed with money received under the Act for Funding Exchequer Bills	306,538
Income received in the quarter ended June 30th, 1856, as shown in page 300	17,545,272	Amount applied out of the Income to supply services, in the quarter ended June 30th, 1856	15,508,135
Amount received in the quarter ended June 30th, 1856, in full of First Loan of £5,000,000	1,499,000	Charges of the Consolidated Fund for the quarter ended June 30th, 1856, viz.:—	
Ditto, in part of Second Loan of £5,000,000	2,500,000	Interest of the Permanent Debt	£6,248,993
Money received in lieu of Exchequer Bills, in part of Funding of £3,000,000	149,724	Terminable Debt	688,987
Amount received in the quarter ended June 30th, 1856, in repayment of advances for Public Works, &c.	374,471	Interest of Exchequer-Bills (Deficiency)	10,633
		The Civil List	100,170
		Other charges on Consolidated Fund	360,911
		Advances for Public Works, &c.	324,700
			7,734,394
Balance, being the deficiency on the 30th June, 1856, upon the charge of the Consolidated Fund in Great Britain, to meet the Dividends and other Charges payable in the quarter to Sept. 30th, 1856, and for which Exchequer Bills (Deficiency) will be issued in that quarter	22,875,298	Balance of Money received under the Act for Funding Exchequer Bills, carried to Revenue	2,186
		Surplus Balance beyond the charge of the Consolidated Fund, for the quarter ended June 30th, 1856, viz.:—	
		Great Britain	339,581
		Ireland	339,581
			£20,459,943
			£20,459,943

CORN.

Average Prices of Corn per Imperial Quarter in England and Wales, during each Week of the Second Quarter of 1856; together with the Monthly and Quarterly Average.—(Continued from p. 198.)

[Communicated by H. F. JADIS, Esq., Comptroller of Corn Returns.]

Weeks ended on a Saturday, 1856.		Weekly Average.					
		Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.	Rye.	Beans.	Peas.
		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
April	5	69 5	38 8	23 6	44 7	40 7	39 7
"	12	68 7	39 0	23 8	42 4	41 4	37 10
"	19	69 0	39 2	23 7	44 7	41 9	37 4
"	26	67 11	39 11	23 4	40 3	41 4	39 2
Average for April		68 9	39 2	23 6	42 11	41 3	38 6
May	3	66 6	40 5	22 9	38 11	41 11	39 0
"	10	67 7	40 3	23 10	43 7	41 3	38 5
"	17	68 9	40 0	23 5	41 4	41 7	39 11
"	24	69 2	39 6	23 10	43 7	41 6	38 2
"	31	68 2	38 11	23 10	47 6	42 2	39 11
Average for May		68 0	39 10	23 6	42 9	41 8	41 1
June	7	67 9	38 7	24 3	42 10	42 8	39 9
"	14	68 1	38 6	24 3	47 9	43 5	40 11
"	21	69 11	38 4	24 7	44 4	42 9	41 0
"	28	72 6	38 5	25 9	48 10	44 0	42 9
Average for June		69 7	38 5	24 8	45 11	43 2	41 1
Average for the Quarter		68 8	39 2	23 10	43 7	42 0	39 6

STOCKS AND SHARES.

Fluctuations in the Stock and Share Markets during the Months of April, May, and June, 1856.—(Continued from p. 198.)

Stocks and Shares.	Amt. of Share.	Amt. Paid.	Price on the			Highest Price during the Months of			Lowest Price during the Months of		
			1 April.	2 May.	2 June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.
Consols.....	...	...	93½	92½	93¼	93½	95½	95½	91½	92½	92½
Exchequer Bills .....	...	...	1s. to 4s. Pm.	Par.	2s. to 4s. Pm.	4s. Pm.	3s. Pm.	15s. Pm.	Par.	6s. Dis.	3s. Pm.
RAILWAYS.											
Brighton	Stock	100	103½	102	103½	104	108½	110	101½	101½	103½
Caledonian	"	100	61¼	60	61¼	61½	61½	63½	59½	59	61
Eastern Counties	"	20	10¼	9½	10½	10½	10¼	11½	9½	9½	10
Great Northern	"	100	95	95	95½	95½	96½	97½	93½	94	94½
Great Western	"	100	61½	61½	60½	65½	62½	64½	60½	59½	60½
London & North-Western	"	100	102½	100½	102½	102½	103	108	99½	102½	101½
Midland	"	100	75	73½	79¼	75½	80	85½	72½	73½	78
Lancashire and Yorkshire	"	100	88¼	88¼	93¼	89½	93½	99¼	87	88	92½
North Staffordshire	"	20	17½	11½	11½	12	11½	12½	11	11½	11½
South-Eastern	Stock	100	74	74	73½	74	73½	77½	70½	69½	71½
South-Western	"	100	95½	94½	98½	96	100	108½	93½	94	98½
York, Newcastle, & Berwick	"	100	79½	77½	82½	80	83	90½	76½	77½	80½
York and North Midland..	"	100	57½	55½	59½	57½	60	64½	54½	55½	58½
Northern of France											
East Indian	20	20	22½	23½	24	24	24½	24½	22½	22½	23½

CURRENCY.

BANK OF ENGLAND.

An Account, pursuant to the Act 7th and 8th Victoria, c. 32, for each Week ended on a Saturday, for the Second Quarter of 1856.—(Continued from p. 199.)

[Compiled from the "Bankers' Magazine."]

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

Date.	Notes Issued.	Notes in hands of Public.	Government Debt.	Other Securities.	Gold Coin and Bullion.	Silver Bullion.
1856.	£	£	£	£	£	£
April 5 ...	23,915,280	19,444,805	11,015,100	3,459,900	9,440,280	...
" 12 ...	23,905,130	20,010,090	11,015,100	3,459,900	9,430,130	...
" 19 ...	23,683,205	20,014,605	11,015,100	3,459,900	9,208,205	...
" 26 ...	23,556,675	19,924,220	11,015,100	3,459,900	9,081,675	...
May 3 ...	23,556,440	20,225,565	11,015,100	3,459,900	9,181,440	...
" 10 ...	23,633,820	19,942,830	11,015,100	3,459,900	9,158,820	...
" 17 ...	23,673,615	19,536,940	11,015,100	3,459,900	9,198,615	...
" 24 ...	24,413,875	19,331,915	11,015,100	3,459,900	9,938,875	...
" 31 ...	25,241,040	19,554,360	11,015,100	3,459,900	10,766,040	...
June 7 ...	25,532,095	19,579,860	11,015,100	3,459,900	11,057,095	...
" 14 ...	25,912,210	19,233,750	11,015,100	3,459,900	11,437,210	...
" 21 ...	26,237,940	19,322,560	11,015,100	3,459,900	11,762,940	...
" 28 ...	26,903,970	19,515,255	11,015,100	3,459,900	12,428,970	...

BANKING DEPARTMENT.

Date.	Proprietors' Capital.	Rest.	Public Deposits.	Other Deposits.	Seven Day and other Bills.	Total Dr.
1856.	£	£	£	£	£	£
April 5 ...	14,553,000	3,840,005	6,010,439	11,510,329	757,025	36,670,798
" 12 ...	14,553,000	3,156,745	3,443,136	12,314,701	808,960	34,276,542
" 19 ...	14,553,000	3,167,890	2,958,753	11,907,623	796,057	33,383,323
" 26 ...	14,553,000	3,175,991	4,008,071	11,036,793	845,327	33,619,182
May 3 ...	14,553,000	3,207,670	3,871,799	10,806,090	819,105	33,557,664
" 10 ...	14,553,000	3,233,367	3,033,588	10,613,914	836,812	32,270,681
" 17 ...	14,553,000	3,246,963	2,991,956	12,351,097	787,137	33,930,153
" 24 ...	14,553,000	3,254,763	3,535,203	11,472,481	742,904	33,556,351
" 31 ...	14,553,000	3,201,190	3,686,524	10,745,271	773,848	32,959,833
June 7 ...	14,553,000	3,209,246	3,297,127	10,734,513	805,004	32,599,490
" 14 ...	14,553,000	3,214,987	4,112,448	10,218,761	774,393	32,873,589
" 21 ...	14,553,000	3,231,001	4,132,110	10,602,674	739,629	33,258,414
" 28 ...	14,553,000	3,248,455	5,704,570	9,810,045	797,946	34,113,616

Date.	Government Securities.	Other Securities.	Notes.	Gold and Silver Coin.	Total Cr.
1856.	£	£	£	£	£
April 5 ...	11,871,778	19,711,720	4,470,475	616,825	36,670,798
" 12 ...	12,918,437	16,791,528	3,895,040	668,537	34,276,542
" 19 ...	13,117,833	15,929,363	3,668,600	667,527	33,383,323
" 26 ...	13,370,083	15,975,189	3,632,455	641,455	33,619,182
May 3 ...	13,755,083	15,446,266	3,430,875	625,440	33,257,664
" 10 ...	12,662,652	15,297,277	3,690,990	619,762	32,270,681
" 17 ...	12,479,416	16,710,812	4,136,675	603,250	33,930,153
" 24 ...	12,479,416	15,377,046	5,081,960	619,929	33,556,351
" 31 ...	12,612,119	14,042,418	5,686,680	618,616	32,959,833
June 7 ...	11,682,126	14,353,306	5,952,735	631,323	32,599,490
" 14 ...	11,326,468	14,347,079	6,678,460	621,582	32,873,589
" 21 ...	11,276,155	14,411,854	6,915,380	655,025	33,258,414
" 28 ...	11,276,155	14,803,958	7,388,715	644,788	34,113,616

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COUNTRY BANKS.

Average amount of Promissory Notes in Circulation in England and Wales in each Week ended on a Saturday, for the Second Quarter of 1856.—(Continued from page 200.)

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ENGLAND AND WALES.			
Date.	Private Banks.	Joint Stock Banks.	Total.
1856.	£	£	£
April 5.....	3,990,730	3,144,551	7,045,281
„ 12.....	3,948,337	3,143,670	7,092,000
„ 19.....	3,944,703	3,172,172	7,116,875
„ 26.....	3,931,841	3,170,000	7,101,841
May 3.....	3,936,552	3,136,658	7,073,210
„ 10.....	3,910,514	3,112,621	7,023,135
„ 17.....	3,900,466	3,131,429	7,031,895
„ 24.....	3,840,811	3,101,428	6,942,239
„ 31.....	3,778,093	3,035,212	6,813,305
June 7.....	3,742,972	2,997,600	6,740,572
„ 14.....	3,726,853	3,005,866	6,732,719
„ 21.....	3,718,517	3,027,607	6,746,124
„ 28.....	3,741,439	3,055,433	6,796,872

Fixed Issues—Private Banks, £4,570,931 ; Joint Stock Banks, £3,316,143.

Average amount of Promissory Notes in Circulation in Scotland and Ireland during the Four Weeks ended the 12th of April, the 10th of May, and the 7th of June, 1856.—(Continued from page 200.)

SCOTLAND.			
Date.	£5 and above.	Under £5.	Total.
1856.	£	£	£
April 12.....	1,302,189	2,481,189	3,783,383
May 10.....	1,418,553	2,520,442	3,938,996
June 7.....	1,666,004	2,806,753	4,472,759

IRELAND.			
Date.	£5 and above.	Under £5.	Total.
1856.	£	£	£
April 12.....	3,130,833	3,343,907	6,474,742
May 10.....	3,236,317	3,275,595	6,511,913
June 7.....	3,256,430	3,107,947	6,364,379

Fixed Issues—Scotland, £3,087,209 ; Ireland, £6,354,494.